Historic, Archive Document

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.



62.57 = 19473

RECEIVED

JUL 291947

U. S. Department of Agriculture

ROCK GARDEN BULBS AND DORMANT ROOTS



MAYFAIR NURSERIES

93 Highland Avenue Bergenfield, N. J.

Before the last snows have gone and the chill winds of Winter have past the bulbs send forth a galaxy of color that tells us Spring has come again. Among the first to appear in the first days of March are the golden "Winter Aconites" and the pure white "Snow Drops" which are soon followed by the gay blues and pinks and lavenders of the Scillas and Chinonodoxas. Before these have gone the multi-colored Crocus and early Tulip species make the Rock Garden a floral gem before the first of the Spring Alpine plants show their bright colors.

TERMS OF SALE

- CASH WITH ORDER: Remittance may be made by check or Postal Money Order. No C.O.D. orders accepted.
- PRICES: All prices quoted are for TOP GRADE QUALITY BULBS. Not less than 6 bulbs of a kind sold at the 12 rate. Not less than 25 bulbs of a kind sold at the 100 rate.
- **DELIVERY:** All bulbs and dormant rocks will be sent prepaid about October 15th with the exception of the Fall blooming Crocus species which will be sent earlier.
- WARRANTY: We carry no stock of these bulbs. All the bulbs offered are Holland grown (with the exception of bulbs and dormant roots in the Native section) therefore we do not give any warranty as to description or productiveness of any bulbs sold. All orders are accepted subject to receipt of bulbs in good condition from Holland and from American collectors.
- SUBSTITUTION: In the event that we cannot supply any variety we shall send refund unless substitute varieties have been ordered.

PLEASE READ TERMS OF SALE CAREFULLY BEFORE MAILING YOUR ORDER

CHIONODOXA

"Glory of the Snow"

In the wake of the departing snow the chionodoxas begin to dot the Rock Garden with blue and with a few warm days, turn the barren slopes and pockets into sheets of color. Once planted it comes up year after year, while the flower spikes increase in size and beauty.

GIGANTEA—The giant flowered variety, giving beautiful large flowers of a lavender-blue color. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.

LUCILIEA—The most popular. Sky-blue little flowers with white centers. 35c for 12. \$2.45 for 100.

LUCILIEA ALBA—The pure white variety. Very scarce. 80c for 3. \$3.00 for 12. \$21.00 for 100.

LUCILIEA ROSEA—Very attractive with charming pale rose flowers. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.75 for 100.

SARDENSIS—The deep blue variety. 35c for 12. \$2.45 for 100.

CROCUS

(Botanical species)
Autumn flowering type

In the lean days of Autumn these bizarre gems bring an enjoyable surprise with each new flower that pops up. Orders for these species must not reach us later than August 1st, as they are being shipped in advance of other bulbs.

SATIVUS (SAFFRON CROCUS)—Purple-lilac, feathered violet. \$1.50 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

SPECIOSUS—Dark blue, very fine and warrants a home in every Rock Garden. \$1.50 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

SPECIOSUS ALBUS—The white variety. \$1.50 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

ZONATUS—Light violet, very fine. \$1.50 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

SPRING FLOWERING CROCUS SPECIES

Certainly the gayest and most showy group of bulbs for the Rock Garden. The following species (not to be confused with the large flowering varieties generally sold) are thoroughly hardy, coming up year after year with increasing profusion of flowers. They also seed themselves quite freely.

AUREUS (MOESIACUS)—Deep orange-yellow. 60c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.

BIFLORUS (SCOTCH CROCUS)—White, outside of petals shaded violet. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.

BIFLORUS WELDENI ALBUS—The pure white variety. 60c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.

CANDIDUS VAR. SUB-FLAVUS—Small flowers of orange-yellow, densely stippled bronzy purple. Very free flowerings. 60c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.

- CHRYSANTHUS CANARY BIRD—Orange-yellow, shaded bronzy. Very free flowering. 85c for 12. \$6.00 for 100.
- CHRYSANTHUS E. P. BOWLES—This is one of the most distinct species for choice spots in the Rock Garden, producing large flowers of true buttercup-yellow lightly feathered purplish at base. 35c for 3. \$1.20 for 12. \$8.25 for 100.
- ETRUSCUS—A fine species with truth mauve flowers, in bloom for a month and longer. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.
- GOLDEN BUNCH—Producing an abundance of dainty flowers of an even tangerine-yellow color. Usually has 18 to 24 flowers to a bulb. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.
- IMPERATI—This is a beautiful free-flowering species. Interior of flower violet, outer petals fawn, feathered dark violet. Very scarce. 75c for 3. \$2.55 for 12. \$18.00 for 100.
- SIEBERI—A very charming species, early in the season producing a profusion of soft lavender-blue flowers with golden base. It has a R. H. S. Award of Garden Merit. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.
- SUSIANUS (CLOTH OF GOLD—Another very early species with yellow flowers, stripped glossy brown on outer petals. Recommended for the Rock Garden. 85c for 12. \$6.00 for 100.
- TOMASINIANUS—A pretty shade of soft lavender with silvery outside. A very early species and one of the best for naturalizing. 85c for 12. \$6.00 for 100.
- TOMASINIANUS WHITEWELL PURPLE—A very lovely dark purple form. Very free flowering. 90c for 12. \$6.50 for 100.
- VERNUS VANGUARD—A new, very early flowering Crocus of a most distinct color. Pretty ageratum-blue, outside of flower french-gray. Excellent for naturalizing. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.

ERANTHIS "Winter Aconite"

One of the earliest of all Spring flowers. The golden buttercup-like flowers, resting on emerald green foliage begin to appear about the first of March. Well associated with Snowdrops, Chionodoxas, Scilla siberica, Etc. in shady positions, under trees and in moist places. It likes to be left undisturbed for years. The colony increases rapidly from seed.

- CILICIA—A very lovely species from Asia Minor. Deep yellow flowers and the bronzy foliage is more finely cut than E. hyemalis. It also blooms a little later. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.
- HYEMALIS—The well known Winter Aconite. The Rock Garden is brightened in the early days of March with its golden yellow flowers. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.
- TUBERGENII—A very beautiful new hybrid with large yellow flowers. The flowers are sterile and thus last a long time. Highly recommended. 75c for 3. \$2.55 for 12. \$18.00 for 100.

FRITILLARIA MELEAGRIS "Snakeshead Fritillaria"

The Fritillaria meleagris produces a very fine effect when naturalized in shady glens or under large trees. Very charming in clumps in the Rock Garden.

MELEAGRIS ALBA—The fine white variety. 35c for 3. \$1.30 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

MELEAGRIS CHARON—Very dark purple. The darkest and best of all. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.

GALANTHUS

"Snow Drops"

Before the last snows have gone the Galanthus sends up its masses of pure white flowers that last for a month and longer. Flowers are not injured by snow and late frosts.

NIVALIS—The old-fashioned snow-drop of Grandma's day. Still as delightful as ever. 80c for 12. \$5.50 for 100.

NIVALIS FLORE-PLENO—A very charming double flowered Snow Drop. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.

NIVALIS MAXIMUS—A very large flowered Snow Drop. The blossoms are more than twice the size of the common form. Very scarce. 90c for 3. \$3.40 for 12. \$24.00 for 100.

HYACINTHUS AMETHYSTINUS

"Alpine Hyacinth"

A charming Alpine Hyacinth, flowering towards the end of May, having elegant spikes of clear amethyst blue. Very valuable for naturalizing and for clumps in the Rock Garden.

AMETHYSTINUS ALBUS—The pure white species. As intriguing as all white flowers are. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.

AMETHYSTINUS COERULEA—True amethyst blue color. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

MUSCARI

"Grape Hyacinth"

No plant is more suited to Rock Garden culture than this family of lovely spring flowers. Their blue and white spikes produce a gay effect in early April. Once planted they last for years and seed themselves freely. The Rock Garden is incomplete without a clump of these lovelies.

ARMENIACUM—A bright deep blue and larger than the well known Botryoides. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.

AZUREUM—Sky-blue. the earliest of all, flowering in March. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.

BOTRYOIDES ALBUM—The excellent white Grape Hyacinth. Fine for small groups. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.

BOTRYOIDES COERULEA—The captivating dark blue form. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.

- HEAVENLY BLUE—The most popular of all in a fine light blue color. 65c for 12. \$4.50 for 100.
- PARADOXUM (STARCH HYACINTH)—A very distinct variety with large, nearly black flowers of good size and form. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.
- PARADOXUM ALBUM—The fine white Starch Hyacinth. Not common. 45c for 3. \$1.70 for 12. \$12.00 for 100.
- PLUMOSUM (FEATHER HYACINTH)—An interesting flower, having the airiness of a violet-blue ostrich feather. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.

NARCISSUS

(Dwarf Botanical Species)

These miniature Daffodils with their dainty little flowers are unexcelled in the Rock Garden. With a clump of one or all of the varieties listed you will be the envy of your gardening friends.

- BULBOCODIUM CONSPICUUS (YELLOW HOOP PETTICOAT)

 —Dainty little golden yellow flowers held over rush-like foliage.
 60c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.
- NANUS—A charming miniature trumpet Daffodil. Very large yellow flowers held about 3 inches high in early Spring. 75c for 3. \$2.55 for 12. \$18.00 for 100.
- CANALICULATUS—White perianth, yellow cup. Fragrant and rare. 45c for 3. \$1.70 for 12. \$12.00 for 100.
- TRIANDRUS ALBUS (ANGEL'S TEARS)—Nodding clusters of silvery-white flowers. A delightful addition to the Rock Garden. 80c for 3. \$2.80 for 12. \$19.50 for 100.
- TRIANDRUS THALIA—Two or three lovely pure white daffodils born on graceful stems. Exquisite and rare. 85c for 3. \$3.25 for 12. \$22.50 for 100.

SCILLA

(Early flowering Squill)

A very charming plant for early Spring flowering, of dwarf and compact habit. Excellent for massing among deciduous plants where they will make a carpet of blue in the early Spring sunshine.

- BIFOLIA—Dwarf deep blue flowers that bloom with the Winter Aconite in March. 30c for 3. \$1.10 for 12. \$7.50 for 100.
- SIBERICA (SIBERIAN SQUILL)—Bright blue flowers. The most popular of the early flowering Squills. 75c for 12. \$5.40 for 100.
- SIBIRICA ALBA—The excellent pure white variety. Not common. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- SIBIRICA SPRING BEAUTY—This is a new introduction, twice the size of S. Sibirica. Lovely delphinium-blue flowers of upright habit. They are sterile and thus last a long time. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

SCILLA

(May flowering varieties)

These excellent May-flowers are taller than the foregoing, but none-theless popular with Rock Gardeners. These are unsurpassed for naturalizing in the wild garden and in dense shade where most plants will not live.

- CAMPANULATA ALBA MAXIMA—Pure white flowers of erect habit. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- CAMPANULATA EXCELSIOR—Bold spikes of a bright blue color with unusually large bells. Very sturdy habit. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- CAMPANULATA ROSE QUEEN—A very pretty soft lilac rose color. A plant of distinction. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- NUTANS COERULEA (ENGLISH BLUE BELLS)—Arching, graceful stems bearing drooping dark violet-blue bells. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- NUTANS ALBA—The white form of striking beauty. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.
- NUTANS ROSEA—Excellent deep pink variety. 40c for 3. \$1.25 for 12. \$9.00 for 100.

TULIPA

(Botanical Tulips)

No Rock Garden is complete without a quota of these lovely gems. All are low growing and the colors run the full gamut of the spectrum. Order some and delight in hearing your friends say "Ah" when they see them in bloom.

- BATALINI—A very charming species, producing in April dainty flowers of a soft chrome-yellow with deeper yellow center. Very rare. \$1.65 for 3. \$6.45 for 12.
- BIFLORA—A pretty little species from the Altai Mountains. Bearing up to nine cream colored flowers on one stem. Flowers early in April 45c for 3. \$1.95 for 12 \$13.50 for 100.
- CHRYSANTHA—Pretty yellow flowers with outer petals red. Height 8 inches. Very striking and highly recommended. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.
- CLUSIANA (THE LADY TULIP)—A charming little tulip, outer petals cherry-red with inner petals white. and violet base. Plant in a warm and sheltered position. 85c for 3. \$3.25 for 12. \$22.50 for 100.
- DASYSTEMON—In early May producing 3 to 5 small canary-yellow and white flowers on a stem. Very fine for the Rock Garden. 80c for 3. \$2.80 for 12. \$19.50 for 100.
- flowers brilliant yellow, exterior golden-bronze. An excellent novelty. center. A very strong flowering variety, lasting for weeks. Height 12 inches. 50c for 3. \$1.70 for 12. \$12.00 for 100.

- FOSTERIANA PRINCEPS—Exceptionally fine large vermillion-scarlet flowers carried on 12 inch stems. The best of the Fosteriana group for the Rock Garden. 85c for 3. \$3.40 for 12. \$24.00 for 100.
- HAGERI—Very attractive little globular flowers. Dark scarlet, outside shaded copper-red with black base. Now very rare. 95c for 3. \$3.85 for 12. \$27.00 for 100.
- KAUFMANNIANA (WATERLILY TULIP)—The earliest of all tulips, flowering in March-April. Large soft cream colored flowers with scarlet markings which really resemble waterlilies. Exceptional for the Rock Garden where it will come up and flower for years. 50c for 3. \$1.70 for 12. \$12.00 for 100.
- KAUFMANNIANA GAIETY—Very dwarf growing, nearly creeping over the rocks. Soft yellow with pink shades. A real Waterlily. 55c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.
- LINIFOLIA—One of the most beautiful and dainty species, flowering in May. Glowing scarlet cup-shaped flowers with a conspicuous black center. A Rock Garden "Must." 85c for 3. \$3.25 for 12. \$22.50 for 100.
- PRESICA (BREYNIANA)—A very beautiful little dwarf species producing several flowers on branching stems. Interior of fragrant flowers brilliant yellow, exterior golden-bronze. An excellent novelty. 90c for 3. \$3.60 for 12. \$25.00 for 100.
- PRAESTANA (SUAVEOLENS SYLVESTRIS)—This is a very interesting variety that we can strongly recommend. It produces 3 or 4 flowers to a stem and it's color is of the loveliest orange-scarlet imaginable. 65c for 3. \$2.40 for 12. \$16.50 for 100.
- PULCHELLA VIOLET QUEEN—A very rare species of breath-taking-beauty. Rich Imperial-purple cup-shaped flowers carried on slender stems. Truly a charming little tulip unequaled in color and it's the first to bloom. Very scarce. \$4.50 for 3. \$17.00 for 12.
- SAXATILIS—Here is another beautiful and interesting species having flowers of a delicate rose with round golden-yellow base, Beautiful glossy foliage. Very rare. \$1.10 for 3. \$4.30 for 12. \$30.00 for 100.
- English tulip. Flowers drooping and color yellow. Must become established before flowering freely. 60c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.
- SYLVESTRIS VAR. TABRIS—A very beautiful species from Persia. A large form of Sylvestris of very free flowering and upright habit. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12. \$24.00 for 100.
- TURKESTANICA—Producing in April 3 to 4 dainty little white flowers with yellow shading inside. 40c for 3. \$1.50 for 12. \$10.50 for 100.

AMERICAN NATIVE BULBS AND DORMANT ROOTS

(For Fall planting)

We do not carry these bulbs and roots in stock, but purchase them from various collectors throughout the States and offer them here under the condition that we receive them in good condition in time for you to plant them.

In presenting this list we have tried to select from several general lists (where rock plants are usually hidden away in a little corner in small print) the best of our natives suitable for Rock Gardening that should be planted in fall.

CALOCHARTUS

"Mariposa Lily"

These are the dwarfs of the tribe. Each bulb bears one or two large tulip-like flowers, extremely delicate, creamy-white with dark splotches at the base of the petals. 6 to 8 inches tall. Gritty acid soil in sun or partial shade.

APICULATUS—White with yellow hairs. The best. 3 for 35c. \$1.00 for 12. \$7.00 for 100.

ELEGANS SELWAYENSIS—White with purple hairs. Blooms in June-July. 35c for 3. \$1.00 for 12. \$7.00 for 100.

CAMASSIA

"Camass"

The elegant spikes of large star-shaped sky-blue flowers are a sight to behold in early Spring. Likes acid soil and partial shade.

QUAMASH—18 to 24 inches tall with very large handsome flowers. Well worthy of a conspicuous spot in your garden. 25c for 3. 75c for 12. \$5.25 for 100.

ESCULANTA—Lower growing than the foregoing. 12 to 15 inches tall. Smaller flowers of a delicate blue. 25c for 3. 75c for 12. \$5.25 for 100.

DODECATHEON

"Shooting Star"

The Shooting Stars listed here are dwarf native Westerners. Growing 6 inches high in gritty acid soil with a liberal admixture of leafmold in partial shade. They like to dry up completely after flowering.

CONJUGENS—Purple with yellow base. A pleasing surprise for those that see it for the first time. 75c for 3. \$2.50 for 12. \$17.50 for 100.

PAUCIFLORUM VAR. CUSICKII—Resembling the above in a delightful rosy-purple color. 75c for 3. \$2.50 for 12. \$17.50 for 100.

ERYTHRONIUM

"Adder's tongue"

The Adder's Tongue or Dog Tooth Violet is a merry sight in spring when planted in masses in an acid leafmold soil in light shade.

AMERICANUM—Fine clear yellow flowers carried on 6 inch stems over marbled foliage. 55c for 3. \$2.15 for 12. \$15.00 for 100.

GRANDIFLORUM—Glacier lily from the West. Yellow flowers on 12 inch stems. 50c for 3. \$1.75 for 12. \$12.25 for 100.

FRITILLARIA

"Yellow Bells"

An excellent native "Snakes Head" for the Rock Garden. A good early Spring bloomer in lime soil and sun or part shade. Requires very good drainage.

PUDICA—Yellow bells on 8 inch stems in April. 35c for 3. \$1.00 for 12. \$7.00 for 100.

LEWISIA REDDIVIVA

"Bitter Root"

A very good Westerner for a dry sunny spot where the flowers can be seen to advantage. Needs an acid gritty, sandy soil and complete drying in summer. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.

MERTENSIA

"Blue Bells"

The dwarf species listed below are without doubt among the prettiest and most charming of our native Westerners. All carry their clear intense blue tubular flowers on delicate arching stems and remain in bloom from two to three weeks. They like a porous, acid, sandy or gritty soil, well supplied with humus in filtered sunlight.

- LONGIFLORA—4 to 6 inches, flowers in April-May. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.
- OBLONGIFOLIA—6 inches tall. Flowers in May. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.
- VIRGINICA—The taller growing eastern Virginia Blue Bells. 15 inches. Strong first size. 50c each. \$1.25 for 3. \$5.00 for 12.

SANGUINARIA CANADENSIS

"Blood Root"

In very early spring these pure white multi-rayed flowers which appear before the foliage are extremely picturesque in a rock garden setting. Acid to neutral in deep leafmold soil and partial shade. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.

TRILLIUM

"Wake Robin"

Another excellent "Must" family for naturalizing in the wild garden or in a shady position in deep acid soil. The huge white or pink flowers resting on lush green foliage create an excellent effect in April and May.

- GRANDIFLORUM—The best of the lot. Large pure white flowers fading to rosy-pink. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.
- STYLOSUM—Nodding, 2½ inch long pink flowers. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.
- UNDULATUM—Large white flowers veined purple. 35c each. 90c for 3. \$3.50 for 12.

DUTCH BULB COLLECTIONS

For those who find it hard to decide

"MAYFAIR COLLECTION"

SCILLA SIBIRICA (Blue Squill)

CHIONODOXA (Glory of the Snow)

GALANTHUS (Snow Drops)

MUSCARI (Grape Hyacinth)

The four best species for naturalizing in woods, open spaces or approach to the Rock Garden.

25 of each—100 bulbs—\$5.00

100 of each—400 bulbs—\$40.00

All bulbs in this collection are TOP SIZE BULBS.

CROCUS COLLECTION

- 100 assorted bulbs in mixture, all topsize grade, in ten of the varieties listed, not labeled—\$10.00
- 120 assorted bulbs, 10 each of 12 varieties listed, labeled-\$15.00

TULIP COLLECTION

100 assorted bulbs in mixture, all top size grade, including the best varieties listed, not labeled—\$12.00

The section is the least of The state of the s